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10. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method of coating wherein two different thermosetting materials are laid down in powder form a : two successive layers one upon the other on a substrate, the powder of the first of the two layers laid down having a higher rate of cure than the powder of the second layer laid down, and the powder of the second layer being deposited on the powder of the first layer, and wherein heat is applied to the two layers while they are both in the powder form, the heat being applied to both powder layers to melt and fuse them the powders into respective coatings bonded together on the substrate.

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13. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The method according to claim ~~40~~11, wherein while the second layer is still in the melt phase and the first layer is substantially cured, an item to be bonded to the substrate is brought into contact with the second layer and held there until the second layer cures.

14. (ORIGINAL) The method according to claim 10, wherein at least one of the powders includes pigmentation.

15. (ORIGINAL) The method according to claim 10, wherein one of the powders when fused is transparent.

16.-18. (CANCELED)

19. (NEW) The method according to claim 13, wherein said item is a second substrate, said second substrate carries a partly-cured layer of thermosetting powder, and the first and second substrates are brought together with the partly-cured layer of the second substrate in contact with the second layer of the first substrate, said contact being made while the second layer of the first substrate is in a soft state prior to curing, and wherein said contact is maintained while heat is applied to both substrates to cure said partly-cured layer and the second layer of the first substrate.

20. (NEW) The method according to claim 10, wherein the powder of the first layer is an epoxy-based powder and the powder of the second layer is of polyethylene.

21. (NEW) A method according to Claim 20 wherein the powder of the first layer includes an adhesion-promoting component.

22. (NEW) The method according to claim 20, wherein the powder of the first layer includes an acid component.

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23. (NEW) The method according to claim 10 wherein the powder of the first layer is a polyester-based powder and the second layer is of a different polyester powder.

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24. (NEW) The method according to claim 23, wherein the powder of the first layer includes an adhesion-promoting component.

25. (NEW) The method according to claim 23, wherein the powder of the first layer includes an acid component.
